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The Football Trust

The Football Trust is a widely representative body. The Chairman is Lord Aberdare with Sir Norman Chester as Deputy Chairman.

The Football Association, the Football

League, the governing bodies of the game in Scotland, the Professional Footballers' Association, the Association of Chief Police Officers, and the local authority associations all nominate their own representatives. It is, therefore, a unique body in bringing together the main interests concerned with the game. The head of Sports Policy in the Department of the Environment attends as an observer, representing the Minister for Sport. The Trust works closely with the English Scottish and Welsh Sports Councils.

The Trustees are empowered to use their funds to promote measures for the control or suppression of unruly behaviour ("hooliganism") in relation to football; to assist clubs to meet the obligations of the Safety of Sports Grounds Act 1975; to improve grounds and facilities for those who play and watch the game, and for any other purpose that they consider to be of benefit to the game of football in Great Britain and Northern Ireland. The Trust is entirely funded by a donation from the P.P.A.'s Spotting-the-Ball competition, at the rate of 20% of turnover — worth, on present forecasts, over £7 million a year.

Football Grounds Improvement Trust

The Football Trust allocates 54 per cent of their income (i.e. over £3¾ million) for the purpose of assisting expenditure by League clubs on ground safety and improvements.

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This work is in the hands of the Football Grounds Improvement Trust, the second independent trust. An additional £1 million was offered by the Football Trust to F.G.I.T. in 1985 to help it through any short term cash flow problems caused by the extra demands placed upon it following the events of May 1985. This money will only be drawn upon if it is required, and will be returned to the Football Trust when funds permit.

League Club Grounds — Safety and Improvements

The Safety of Sports Grounds Act of 1975 set out to implement the recommendations of the Wheatley Committee, which investigated the disaster at Ibrox Park, Glasgow, in 1971, in which 66 football fans were killed.

The Home Office and the Scottish Home Department have published an advisory document (known as the "Green Code"), covering such matters as crush barriers, exits and the slope of terraces. The Act empowers the Home Secretary and the Secretary of State for Scotland to "designate" sports grounds; designation means that the ground must obtain a safety certificate from the local authority.

The Act covers all sports grounds with crowd capacities of more than 10,000. So far all the clubs in the four Football League divisions, the Scottish premier league, and the international grounds at Hampden Park and Wembley have been designated. In January 1986 the Government announced that it would follow the recommendations of the final report of Mr Justice Popplewell and designate all grounds and stadia where football is played with capacities of over 10,000.

From the outset it was apparent that very substantial sums of money would be needed to bring Britain's football grounds up to the necessary standards. Many of them were built in the early years of this century, when crowd safety was a less pressing concern than it is today, and even at many of the better equipped grounds, structures such as gates and barriers had reached the end of their safe operational lives. In addition patterns of crowd behaviour have changed

for the worse making segregation structures essential at many grounds. The disaster at Bradford City's ground in May 1985 has also led to the introduction of more rigorous fire prevention measures.

The task falling on the two Trusts has therefore been considerable. Many clubs have required expenditure totalling hundreds of thousands of pounds. Sums of that magnitude were simply not available for more than a small handful of top division clubs.

Fortunately for football the P.P.A. offered a solution. They would make available a proportion of the turnover earned by their Spotting-the-Ball competition. This money would be administered by an independent trust, known as the Football Grounds Improvement Trust (F.G.I.T.) whose members would have sole discretion over what projects it would support with grants.

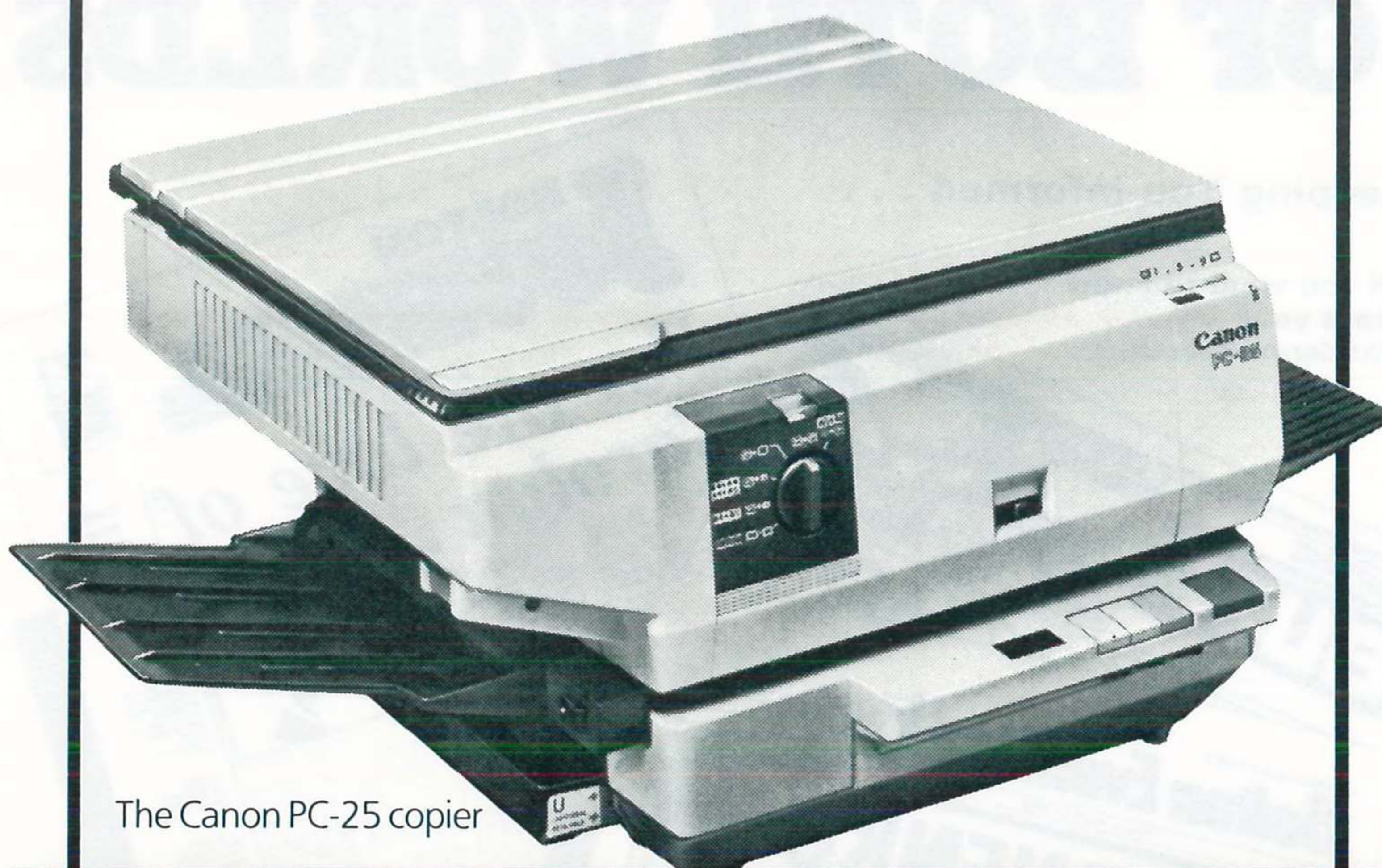
Out of the 130 League Clubs in England, Scotland and Wales, 128 have received grants for authorised safety expenditure. By February 1986 over £20 million had been paid out in grants. Safety grants are awarded entirely at the discretion of the Trustees. Projects are carefully scrutinised by the F.G.I.T.'s consulting surveyors before grants are awarded.

Specific Anti-hooliganism Measures

The Football Trust has a special responsibility contained in its Trust Deed to assist projects which are aimed at tackling hooliganism associated with football.

All grounds in the Football League first and second divisions, four in the third division and nine of the Football League first and second divisions, four in the third division and nine of the 10 in the Scottish premier division have been offered grants (in nearly all cases of 100 per cent, up to a maximum of £25,000 per ground) as have the owners of Wembley Stadium and Hampden Park, Glasgow for the installation of closed circuit television. A total of over £1.3 million has been allocated for this purpose.

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CARDIFF CITY

CARDIFF IN DANGER OF FURTHER DROP

by Tony Pullein

Cardiff City, who lost their Second Division place at the end of last season, are now in danger of suffering a further drop. The Bluebirds are really paying the price for an exceedingly poor start to the season as, after making numerous changes, manager Alan Durban has brought a big improvement in performances over the past few weeks.

The Bluebirds flattered, only to decieve, when they won their opening game of the season away to one of their relegation companions Notts County by 4-1. Soon after that they suffered a run of nine matches which produced only one point and, by mid-October, they were in serious trouble.

Mr Durban, who took over at Ninian Park in September 1984, took swift action. He signed several new men and also gave opportunities to some of his best young players. He has called upon no fewer than 31 players for first-team duty this season and, while the changes were taking place, results continued to disappoint.

Cardiff were bottom of the table at the end of November.

Suddenly, things started to take shape. The Bluebirds scored four goals in each of three away games and confidence started to return. Improvements have since taken place in defence and now the club has a sporting chance of pulling clear of the relegation zone.

The Bluebirds' away victories in the League were achieved at Notts County (4-1), Newport County (2-1), Lincoln (4-0) and Chesterfield (4-3). They drew at York (1-1), Plymouth (4-4), Reading (1-1) and Bournemouth (1-1).

They were beaten at Blackpool (0-3), Rotherham (0-3), Gillingham (0-2), Darlington (1-4), Brentford (0-3), Walsall (3-6), Bristol Rovers (1-2),

Bristol City (1-2), Wigan (0-2), and Derby (1-2).

Cardiff took first round exits in both the major Cup competitions losing 3-4 on aggregate to Swansea in the Milk Cup and going down 0-1 at Exeter in the F.A. Cup.

In the Freight-Rover Trophy, they lost both matches — away to Newport (0-1) and at home to Swansea (0-2).

Quite a dog-fight is going on in South Wales at the moment and, the sad thing is that, if Cardiff do miss relegation, it could be at the expense of one of their neighbours. Swansea and Newport are busily engaged with them in the battle for safety.

Whereas both of their neighbours have spent lengthy spells in Division Four, Cardiff have yet to experience life at that level.

The club was founded in 1899 and enjoyed its most successful era immediately after gaining election to the Second Division of the Football League in 1920.

They won promotion at the first attempt and also reached the semi-final of the F.A. Cup.

Cardiff achieved fourth position in their debut season as a First Division side and in 1924 they finished runners-up, a missed penalty in their final match costing them the Championship.

After being beaten in the 1925 F.A. Cup final, Cardiff returned to Wembley two years later to score a sensational victory over Arsenal. That is still the only time the F.A. Cup has been taken out of England.

Those heady days at Ninian Park came to an end in 1929 when the club was relegated. Two years later they dropped into Division Three (South), remaining for several years. In 1934 they suffered the ultimate indignity of being forced to apply for re-election.

In 1947 Cardiff won the Third Division (South) Championship and by 1951 they were back in Division One. But life was a struggle and, six years later, they dropped down again.

The Bluebirds enjoyed one final fling as a First Division club, going back for two seasons after winning promotion in 1960.

After that they settled down to Second Division football. When they were relegated to Division Three in 1975, they jumped back at the first attempt, a feat they repeated following another drop in status in 1982.

Relegation overtook them again at the end of last season and this time they will not be going back at the first time of asking. Their main objective now is to avoid falling into Division Four.

Recent form suggests they are well capable of finishing clear of trouble.

LEE SMELT (Goalkeeper). Lee started his career with Colchester but didn't get into the first-team. He went non-League with Gravesend and in 1980 he was transferred to Nottingham Forest for £15,000. He made just one League appearance for Forest and, after a loan period with Peterborough, he joined Halifax Town in 1981. Lee was a regular member of their team for three years until signing for Cardiff in 1984.

WAYNE CURTIS (Defender). Wayne joined the club as a junior and worked his way into the first-team this season. He made his debut at Blackpool in September and has been holding the right-back position in recent weeks.

PAUL McLOUGHLIN (Defender). Paul was a reserve player with Bristol Rovers and, after a spell in non-League football with Yeovil, he went to New Zealand to play for Gisborne in 1983/84. Cardiff signed him when he returned to the U.K. last season.



Back Row L-R: Alan Durban (Manager), Carleton Leonard (no longer with club), Kevin Meacock (no longer with club), Mel Rees, Robert Turner, Lee Smelt, Mark Farrington, Paul McLoughlin, Jimmy Mullen (Assistant Manager).
Front Row L-R: Tarki Micallef, Brian Flynn (now Doncaster), John Carver (no longer with club), Roger Gibbins (no longer with club), Jake King, Mike Ford, Nigel Vaughan, David Tong (no longer with club), Graham Withey.

PHIL BRIGNULL (Defender). Phil won England youth honours in his early days with West Ham but he got only one brief outing in the Hammers' League team. Bournemouth signed him in 1981 and he soon made his mark with the Cherries. He was transferred to Cardiff a few weeks ago.

JIMMY MULLEN (Defender). Jimmy spent many successful years with Sheffield Wednesday, making almost 300 first-team appearances for the Owls before moving to Rotherham in 1980. In 1981/82 he spent loan spells with Preston and Cardiff and the full transfer to Ninian Park was later completed.

DAVID GILES (Defender). David returned to his original club last summer. He originally made his League debut for the Bluebirds in 1974/75 but in 1978 he was transferred to Wrexham for £30,000. Just over a year later he moved on to Swansea in a £70,000 deal and it was with the Swans that he became an international player. He has played for Wales on 12 occasions. In 1982 he joined Crystal Palace but at the start of last season he signed for Birmingham. Within weeks he was on the move again, joining Newport County where he remained until his latest transfer.

CHRIS MARUSTIK (Midfield). Chris grew up with Swansea City, making his League debut in 1979. He made well

over 150 senior appearances before joining Cardiff this season. After winning Wales schoolboy and youth honours, Chris won seven under-21 caps and he has also played for the full Wales team on six occasions.

JASON GUMMER (Midfield). Jason developed in the junior teams and made his first League appearance at York in September. Recently recalled to the side, he scored his first League goal in the 1-1 draw with Gillingham last Saturday.

MIKE FORD (Midfield). Mike was previously with Leicester City, though he did not get into the first-team. He got his chance after signing for Cardiff at the start of last season.

TARKI MICALLEF (Midfield). Tarki started his career with Cardiff and, after making his League debut in 1978/79, he went on to win three Wales under-21 caps. Two seasons ago he was transferred to Newport County but he started the 1984/85 campaign as a Gillingham player. Cardiff signed him last season.

TIM O'CONNOR (Midfield). Tim came through the ranks to earn his League debut at Bristol Rovers in November. He has recently been nominated as substitute.

MARK FARRINGTON (Midfield). Mark served his apprenticeship with

Everton but didn't come into contention for a first-team place at Goodison Park. After moving on to Norwich, he was introduced to their First Division side in 1983/84. Last season he spent a loan period at Cambridge and Cardiff signed him in the summer.

DEREK CHRISTIE (Forward). Derrick was signed from Reading this season. His first club was Northampton, for whom he made his League debut in 1973/74. He moved on to Northampton in 1978, remaining until Reading signed him in 1984.

NIGEL VAUGHAN (Forward). With 11 goals, Nigel is again Cardiff's leading scorer. He started his League career with Newport County in 1977 and made more than 200 senior appearances before joining Cardiff in an exchange deal in 1983. Last season he was the Bluebirds' leading scorer with 16 goals.

ROB TURNER (Forward). Rob was an apprentice with Huddersfield but he was not around long enough to earn a first-team place. He joined Cardiff at the start of this season and made his League debut on the opening day.

PAUL WHEELER (Forward). Paul joined the club as a junior and has this season been introduced to League football. He took his bow against Derby in September.

CLUB NEWS

In Retrospect

The Wanderers face Cardiff City today for the 58th time in the Football League having won 27 to the visitors 19. It will be the first time that the two sides have faced each other at Burnden in the Third Division.

The first League game between the clubs at Burnden took place in October 1921. A crowd of 32,000 saw City win 2-1 in what was something of a surprise result. City were at the foot of the First Division whilst the Wanderers held a comfortable mid table position. After a scoreless first half City took a two goal lead with Gill grabbing both whilst Bolton were down to ten men, Rowley having attention off the field.

Davies in the Cardiff goal was at his best to thwart both Seddon and Roberts but could do nothing about Roberts shot five minutes from time. Unfortunately it proved to late for Bolton to save the game, although revenge was gained, with a victory at Ninian by the same score.

The Wanderers visited South Wales on the opening day of the 1923-24 season, and as cup holders, were on a hiding to nothing. Bolton had the better of the early exchanges but it was City who took the lead after 30 minutes through Gill. Dick Pym in the Bolton goal was called upon to make numerous saves but was beaten again nine minutes into the second half. It was Gill again who found the net, heading in an Evans centre, from close range. Bolton responded almost immediately with David Jack taking on and beating the City, defence before lashing an unstoppable shot past Farquharson. Clenell restored City's two goal advantage in the 70th minute, but within two minutes David Jack again scored, this time from a header. The play continued to swing from end to end although there were no more goals City winning 3-2. The two teams were:

Bolton: Pym, Howarth, Finney, Nuttall, Seddon, Jennings, Butler, Jack, JR Smith, J Smith and Vizard.

Cardiff: Farquharson, Nelson, Blair, Keenor, Smith, Hardy, Grimshaw, Gill, Davies, Clenell and Evans.

Bolton won on their next visit to Ninian by 2-1 with goals from Joe Smith and David Jack coming after Davies had given the home side the lead. The Wanderers also won 3-0 at Burnden to register their first double over the Welshman. Bolton again won at Cardiff in April 1926 but in this occasion were expected to do so. They had just reached the Cup Final, whilst City had to field no less than seven reserves, due to injuries. The only goal of the game came after five minutes from Rollo Jack but Bolton had only themselves to blame for not scoring more. This avenged a single goal defeat inflicted by City at Burnden earlier that season with their winner coming from Ferguson.

Bolton had a tremendous run of success at Cardiff, for after losing 2-0 in January 1957 to goals by Brian Walsh and Gerry Hitchens, they didn't lose again until

August 1969, a run of seven games of which six ended in victory, including a 5-2 win in season 1966-67. The Wanderers were also having the better of things at Burnden, being undefeated in ten games with the Bluebirds between 1953 and 1968. City however then strung together three consecutive wins at Burnden between seasons 1968-69 and 1970-71. That however was their last victory here and since then have visited on six occasions losing five and drawing one.

Their heaviest defeat during that spell was in December 1977 when the Wanderers ran out 6-3 winners on their way to promotion to the First Division. Keith Robson fired City into a 15th minute lead but a couple of Paul Jones headers and a Peter Reid shot gave Bolton a commanding lead. Pete Sayer pulled one back for City just before half time and the crowd of 16,090 had to wait until the 75th minute for the next goal. Neil Whatmore fired home Bolton's fifth followed by a Willie Morgan goal. Cardiff completed the scoring for the afternoon with a goal from substitute Ray Bishop.

Earlier this season the Wanderers won 1-0 at Ninian Park thanks to a 20th minute goal from Graham Bell. Wayne Entwistle made his Bolton debut in that game after his transfer from Carlisle United.

Our League record against Cardiff is as follows:

	P	W	D	L	F	A
HOME	28	16	6	6	48	24
AWAY	29	11	5	13	37	35
TOTAL	57	27	11	19	85	59

In Reserve

12th March 1986

Bolton Wanderers Res 0 Oldham Athletic Res 0

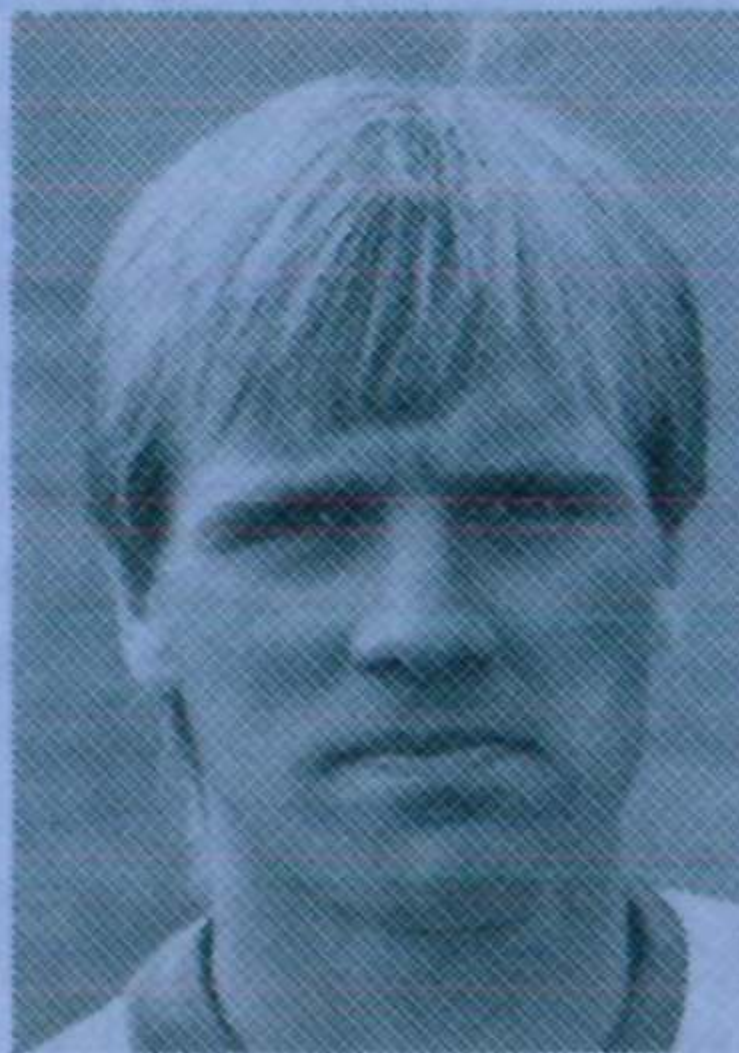
The Wanderers Reserves gave League leaders Oldham a run for their money and but for their failure to cash in on the number of chances that came their way would have taken the points. As it was, the Wanderers could only look back on their first goalless draw of the season, whilst Oldham were not dangerous until the dying seconds of the game.

Oldham keeper, Gorton, did well early on, making notable saves from Roger Walker and Wayne Entwistle whilst both playes had further chances that were wide of the target.

It was from a Wayne Entwistle run that the Wanderers best chance came, after the striker had got round the back of the Oldham defence he pulled the ball back across the face of the Oldham goal, only to see Ian Mullineux inches off sliding it into the net. Oldham's only chance of the first period saw Julian Darby clearing a Gary Williams shot off the line, whilst Simon Farnworth was called into clearing from the edge of his penalty area on a couple of occasions.

Roger Walker came the closest to breaking the deadlock in the second half with a long run and shot that was well saved and a header from close range that was inches over.

Oldham struck the bar in the dying second with an



inswinging corner from John Ryan beating the Bolton defence. Then from another corner David Fairclough sent a diving header goalwards but Dean Roberts was on hand to clear the danger off the line.

Team: Farnworth, Fitzpatrick, Whitlow, Rudge, Darby, Winstanley, Lawler, Walker, Entwistle, Laws, Mullineux. Sub. Roberts for Lawler.

Down memory lane

15 years ago. 20th March 1971. The Wanderers travelled to Norwich City and despite putting up a good performance went down 2-1. It was a two minute spell that cost Bolton dearly after they had taken the lead in the 7th minute. Garry Jones had converted a penalty, awarded after John Byrom had been brought down, but City equalised in the 20th minute.

Doug Livermore had the simple task of lobbing into an empty net after a mistake in the Wanderers defence, but worse was to come, as two minutes later Malcolm Darling, later to join Bolton, netted the winner after a scramble in the goalmouth.

The same day Burnden hosted the FA Amateur Cup Semi Final between Skelmersdale and Leatherhead. A crowd of 7,985 saw Skem. reach Wembley with a 2-0 win in what was their last chance to win the trophy as the following season they were to turn semi professional.

Burnden Park was also promised another big game if Everton and Liverpool drew their FA Cup Semi Final at Old Trafford.

24th March 1971. Roy Greaves asks for a transfer but the matter is deferred until the end of the season as he is under contract. Greaves is fined £40 and given a three month suspended sentence by an FA disciplinary committee after being booked for the third time that season.

10 years ago. 20th March 1976. Bolton went down 2-0 at West Brom before the TV cameras. The result was to cost the Wanderers dear at the end of the season with Albion taking their place in the promotion frame. The Wanderers pinned Albion in their own half for long periods but created little danger. Albion were content to pump long balls from defence and it was from such a move that they took the lead in the 42nd minute. Keeper Barry Siddall missed a Willie Johnston cross in the swirling wind and Joe Mayo was on hand with a simple close range header.

West Brom's second came only five minutes into the second half, again from a header, centre half John Wile getting onto the end of a John Giles free kick.

23rd March 1976. The Wanderers slide continued with a 1-0 home defeat by third from bottom Blackburn Rovers. The winner came in the 19th minute when a Gordon Taylor free kick was headed on by Ken Beamish to the unmarked John Waddington who made no mistake.

The Wanderers had now taken only four points and scored two goals in the six League games since the end of their epic run yet were still in third place.

5 years ago. 17th March 1981. Bolton entertained Sparta Rotterdam and got a confidence booster with a 2-1 win over the top Dutch side. Ian Brennan and John Thomas were brought back into the side whilst Phil Wilson reverted to full back and Craig Moores took over on the wing.

It took only five minutes for Bolton's new forward line of Moores, Thomas and Whatmore to open the scoring. From a Dusan Nikolic free kick Neil Whatmore got in quickly to head past the keeper and just inside the post. It was Nikolic who scored the Wanderers second in the 24th minute with a long range shot that bobbed over keeper Jan Formanoy who appeared to have it covered. Sparta came more into the game during the second period and were rewarded when Gup pulled one back.

George Mulhall returned to Bolton as assistant manager only six days after quitting as manager of Bradford City.

24th March 1981. The Wanderers won a relegation battle by 2-1 at Preston North End. Seconds before half time Peter Reid fired Bolton in front with his first of the season after North End had hit the bar at the other end. Bolton's second came in the 66th minute when Alan Gowling turned a Dusan Nikolic free kick past Roy Tunks. The referee booked Peter Nicholson, Alan Gowling and Len Cantello for time wasting yet allowed Preston to get back into the game with a goal from Alex Bruce after some pushing on Paul Jones. The Wanderers survived a hectic final seven minutes to take home the points.

CLUB NEWS

CONTINUED

Dave's first

A pat on the back to Wanderers centre half Dave Sutton on netting his first goal for the club at Brentford last Friday. His goal couldn't have come at as more important time, earning the Wanderers a valuable point. It also won the Wanderers their first point in London since April 1981 and also their first point at Brentford since 1938.

There are no more London visits this season in the League although it would be nice to think that Bolton's capital bogey could be sunk in the Wembley final of the Freight Rover Trophy.

Permanent Fixtures

Watching Manchester United play West Ham in a live TV game a couple of weeks ago sent me scurrying for the record books to see how many of the West team were still in the side since the Wanderers last played them in March 1981. Incredibly five members of the Londoner's side that drew 1-1 at Burnden played at Old Trafford. Namely Parkes, Stewart, Martin, Devonshire and Pike. None of the Bolton team are still with the club whilst David Cross, now on loan at Bury, was in the Hammers side. It's probably a case of how times don't change down Upton Park way.



Junior Whites News

Today's mascot is Phillip Gregory of Westerdale Drive, Ladybridge, Bolton. Phillip attends Mount St Josephs school and plays in the football team at centre forward. His favourite players are Asa Hartford, Warren Joyce, Sam Allardyce and Graham Bell.

PEN PALS . . . NEWS . . . VIEWS . . . This is your match magazine. If you have any topics to contribute we will be delighted to hear from you. Write to The Programme Editor.

Modern Sequence Dancing

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Sportsman's Dinner

The next Wanderer's Sportsman's Dinner will be held in the Executive Club — Burnden Park on Monday 21st April 1986.

Guest Speaker — Gareth Daniels (Glamorgan).

Further entertainment from Vince Earl.

7.30 p.m. for 8 p.m. Tickets £12.50. Formal dress.

For tickets apply to Nat Lofthouse Bolton Wanderers Executive Club. Bolton 389200.

Wanderers Half Marathon

The Trotters thirteenth Wanderers half marathon road race, will be held on Sunday 13th April. Entry forms are available now from the club offices or from the Club Shop.

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2nd round replay

Burnley v Bolton Wanderers

at Turf Moor on

Saturday, 5th April, 1986

Kick-off 2.00 p.m.

CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

Wigan Athletic v Bolton Wanderers

Saturday, 29th March, 1986

All ticket for Bolton supporters.

Tickets available at Burnden Park Ticket Office.

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KISHOR DARJI,

102 Ridley Road, Forest Gate, London E7 0LX.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am a loyal fan of Bolton Wanderers and I always go to a match when Bolton are in London. I was wondering if you do a pen-pal page in the home programmes? If so, please could you put me down. Here are some details about me:

I own a 2X Spectrum, Oric 1 and a Atari VCS, my hobbies are games, football (Bolton Wanderers and Spurs) and stamp collecting. I would like a pen-pal between 15 and 18 years old who goes to Bolton matches regularly and are willing to send me a programme for every home match, I will pay for the programme.

Yours faithfully, K. DARJI

PS I am 17-years-old.

LOCAL DERBY

Wanderers v Blackpool

Easter Monday

31st March, 1986

KICK-OFF 11.00 a.m.

Canon Make It Happen

We are delighted to welcome boys from Bolton School and Canon Slade for this afternoon's Canon Invitation Day match. To be able to play on a League ground and to show off their skills before an admiring audience is a dream come true for today's squad of under 13s and it's all thanks to the generosity of Canon (UK) Ltd., the League's sponsors, and the organisation of the concept by the English Schools Football Association.

What are Canon Invitation Days? Quite simply a series of six-a-side games played by squads of eight, who will all get on the field during some stage of the 10 minutes each way matches. A Canon Invitation Day match is being staged at four of our home games between March 1st and the end of the season.

For the fans Canon Invitation Days provide pre-match entertainment. For the boys it is an exciting opportunity to tread the same turf as their heroes. For us, as a club and all the other Canon League clubs who are participating in the scheme, it will strengthen the growing ties between us and the local Schools Associations, which can only be good for the future of League football.

Today's game is NOT part of a competition. It is an exhibition. Each of the boys who play will receive a commemorative medal and, of course, they will stay on as our guests to enjoy the Canon League match. For them, it will be an unforgettable day.

The English Schools Football Association are involved in the arrangement of some 350 Canon Invitation Day games. Some 5,500 boys will eventually participate. It represents a major feat of organisation which will cost, across the country, around £30,000. The entire cost will be borne out of Canon (UK) Ltd. sponsorship funds.

The boys are the game's future players. Their friends and relatives are the game's future spectators. Canon (UK) Ltd. and the English Schools FA are to be congratulated on their respective contributions to such a worthwhile enterprise.

BOLTON SCHOOL

Colours: Black and White Stripes

1. Carl Drinkwater, 2. Paul Smith, 3. Jon Smith, 4. Michael Potter, 5. Mark Conn, 6. Glen Crompton, 7. Craig Randall, 8. Greg Matthews. Teachers: Mr. T. Cairns, Mr. K. E. H. Openshaw.

CANON SLADE

Colours: Yellow and Green

1. Christopher Ormrod, 2. Andrew Pendlebury, 3. Robin Crompton, 4. Alan Smith, 5. Adrian Cooper, 6. Stuart Leigh, 7. Steven Butcher, 8. Andrew Baines.

Teachers: Mr. A. Jeffers, Mr. B. Wells.

Referee: Mr. Mel Whittle (Bolton Referee Society)

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ACTION

V READING

1. TONY CALDWELL
fires in a shot.
2. GEORGE OGHANI
rises to head
goalwards.

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Bolton Evening News*

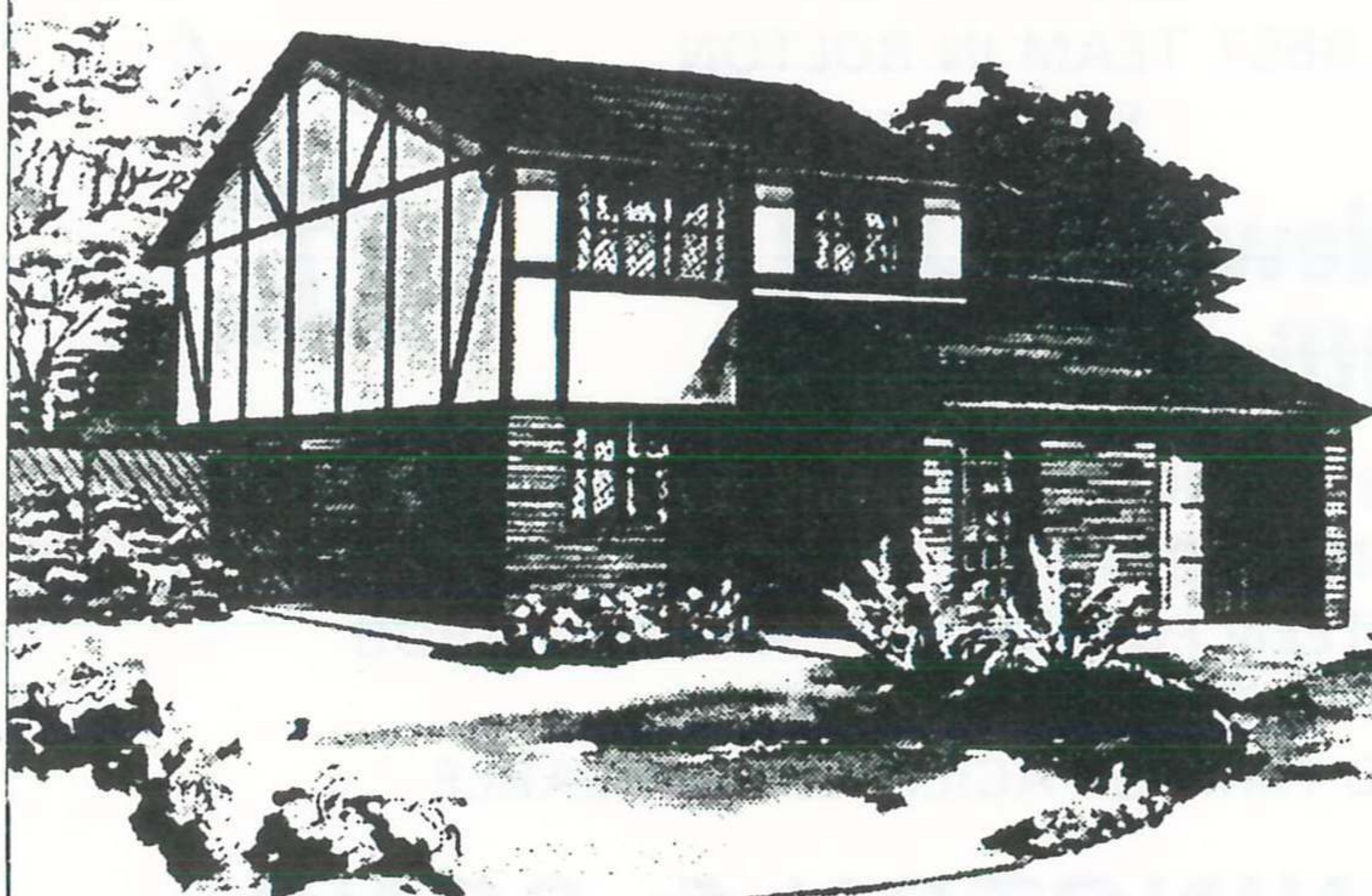


York City goalkeeper **ANDY LEANING** goes down to make a brave save at the feet of **GEORGE OGHANI**, only to come out of the incident injured.

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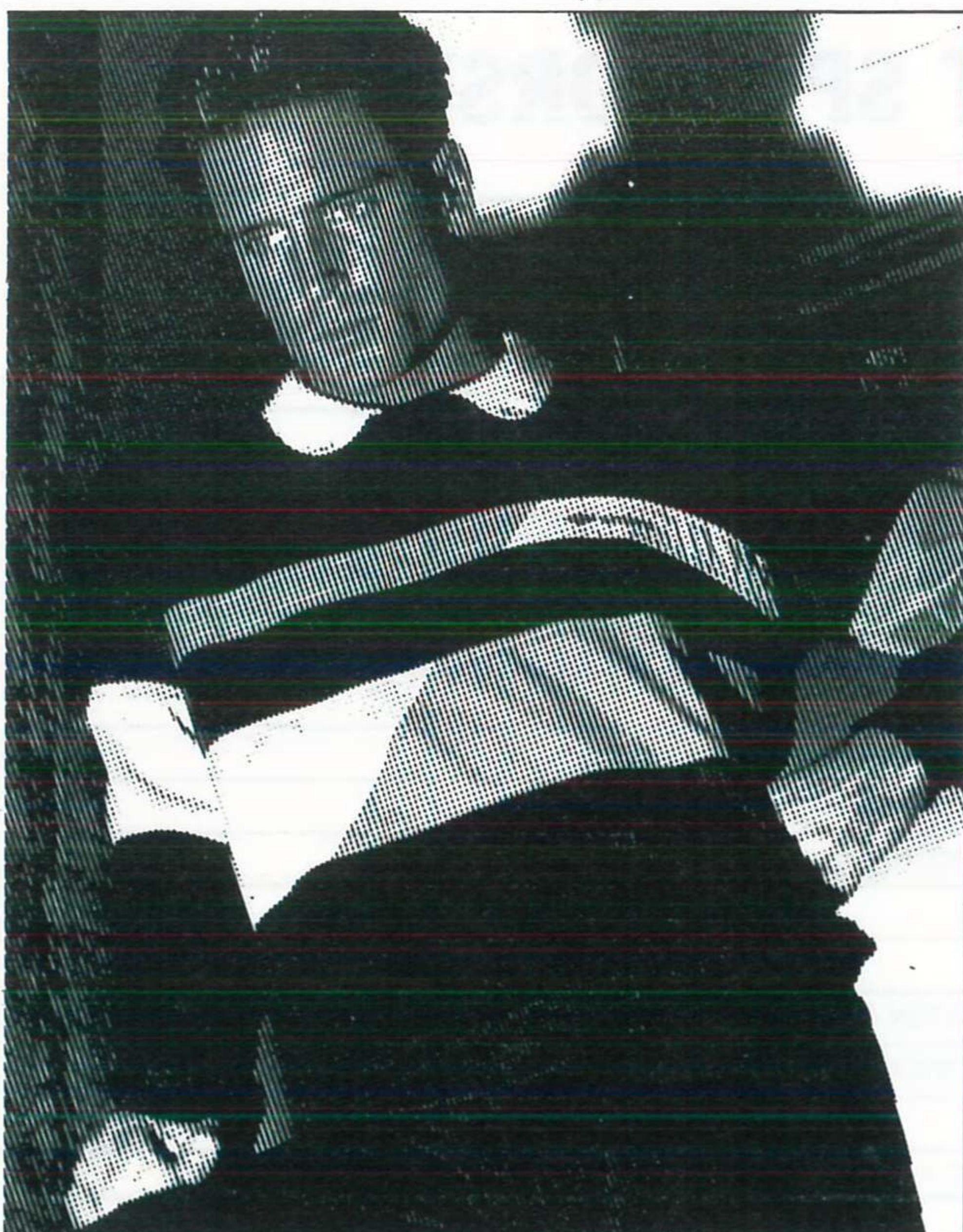
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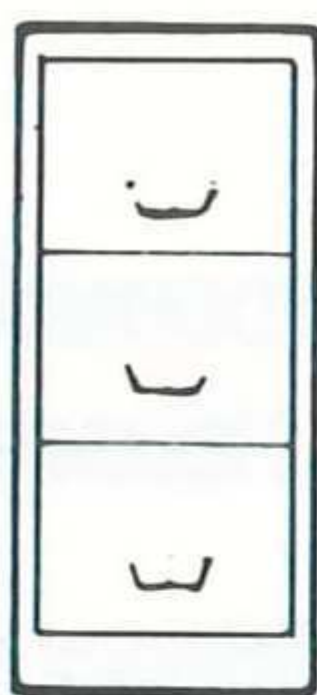


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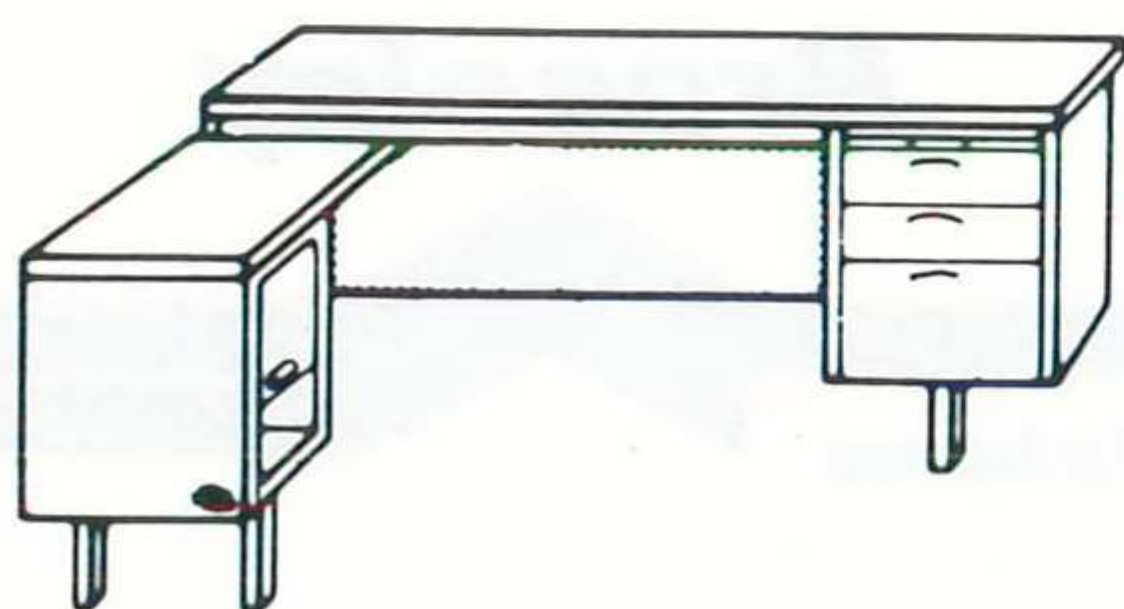
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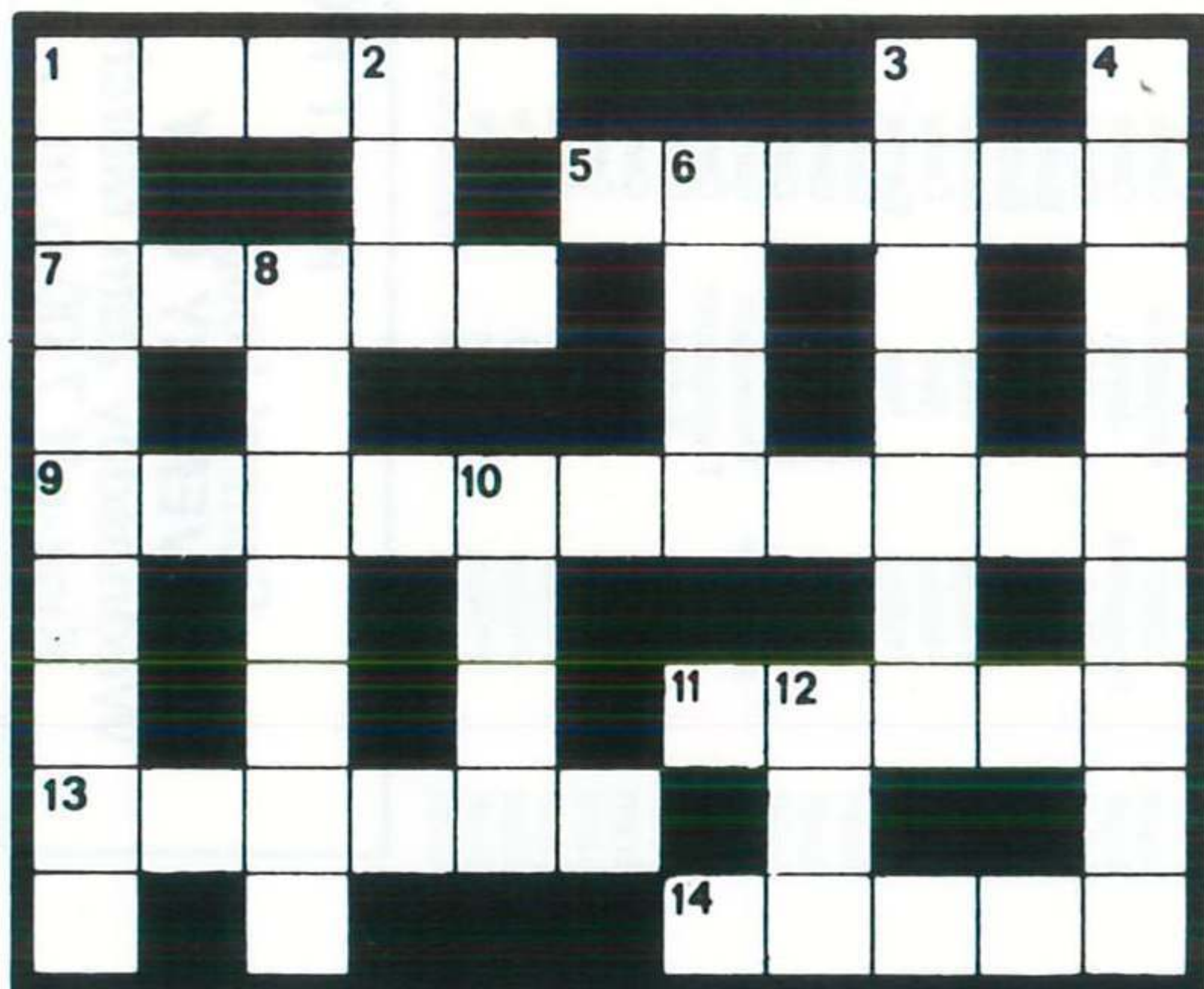
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PUZZLE PAGE

CROSSWORD No. 24

ACROSS

1. It seems to be becoming a naturally disappearing surface! (5)
5. Country the world will be tuned to in 1986 (6)
7. Journalese for 'beats' (as in 'a winger — — — a defender') (5)
9. One of the northern members of the Gola League (11)
11. See 2 down
13. Keeper Rod, the holder of Mansfield's League appearances record (6)
14. A 1 across pitch may well become this in the depths of winter (5)



DOWN

1. Club given the League guillotine to let in Peterborough (9)
- 2 & 11ac. NASL side which featured former Football Leaguers like Ade Coker, Kazimierz Deyna and Derek Smethurst (3,5)
3. Diarised match which, despite the implication, may be moved (7)
4. Former League club where Peter Withe's first-class career began (9)
6. Brazil winger who scored (against Scotland!) the best goal of the 1982 World Cup finals (4)
8. Club which kicked off the season with a record run of League victories (7)
10. Who is the Spurs manager missing from this sequence: Arthur, Jimmy, — — —, Terry, Keith? (4)
12. Benjamin's first name (3)

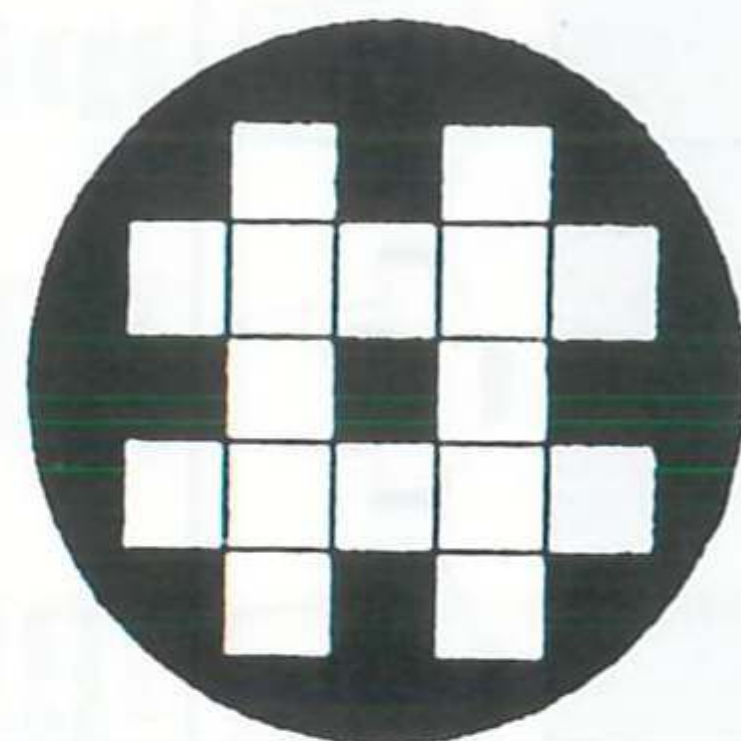
Answers to No. 23:

Across: 6. Simon Garner, 7. benefit, 8&10. all red, 12. rosette, 15. Division Two. **Down:** 1. five, 2. Jones, 3. Ogrizovic, 4. dry, 5. Bell, 9. Deans, 11. Eric, 13. Town, 14. six.

ANSWERS IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME

ON THE BALL No. 24

Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.



Crooks' first name . . .
 . . . his first club
 One of the Mills boys
 They may be free!

Answers to No. 23: CLEAR, DANNY, WAYNE, ALLAN.

QUICK QUIZ No. 24

1. Who is/are uncapped by England among: Angus, Arnold, Charles, Francis, Norman, Steven, Thomas?
2. Which NASL club did Phil Parkes, Jon Sammels, Kevin Hector, Steve Kember and Peter Lorimer aid?
3. Which city had two clubs relegated in 1981?
4. Which club did Bill Edrich, Denis Compton's club and country batting partner, play his soccer for?
5. Who set a record by being sent off in the first minute of a League match (and on Christmas Day!)?

Answers to No. 23

1. Romania, 2. Arfon Griffiths, 3. True, 4. Steve Bloomer, 5. Wembley.

SOCCER CENTURION No. 24

Tot up exactly a ton adding the numbers indicated by these clues:

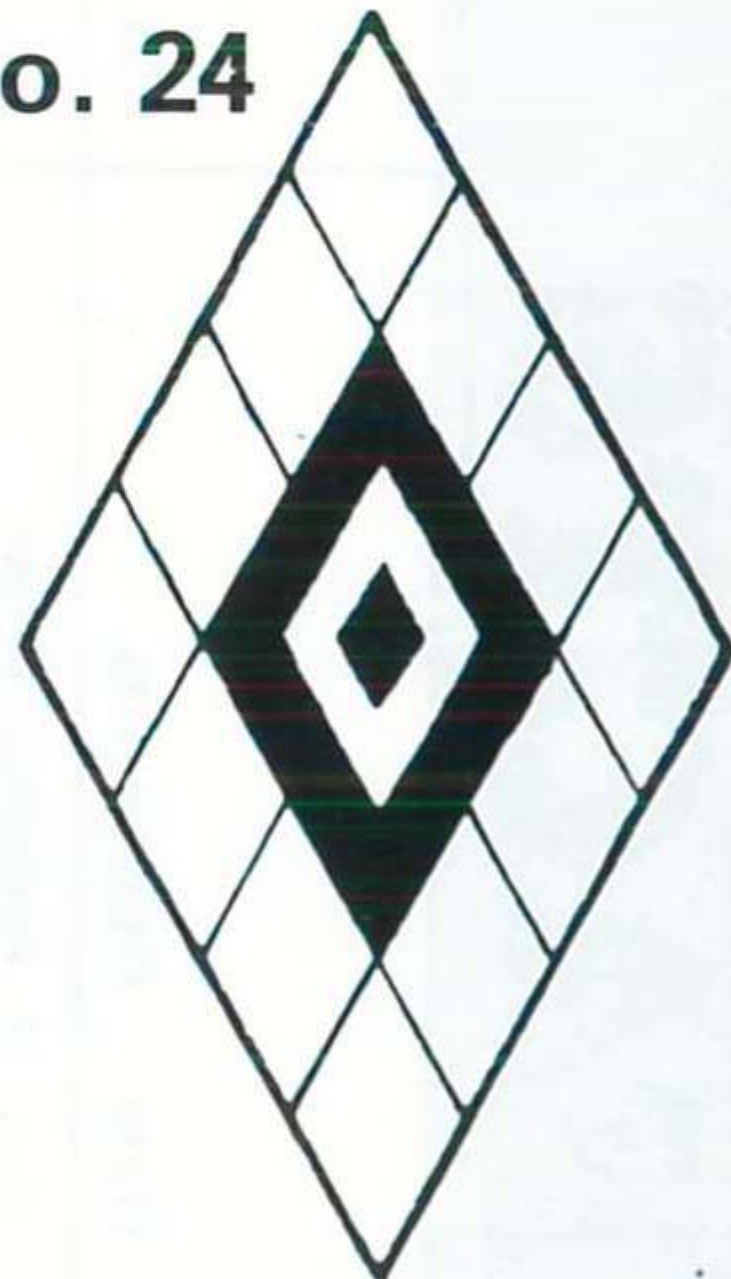
- Members in a 1982 World Cup squad
- Jack Charlton's England goals
- First England match (v. Scotland) 18— —

Answers to No. 23. 6 + 74 + 20

FITNESS TEST No. 24

Re-arrange all the letters of JIM ROSENTHAL to create four four-lettered words that fit the edges of the diamond.

Answers to No. 23
 TOMB/BIND
 TORS/SAND



FACTS



Date	Opponents	F.A.	Att.
Aug. 17	Rotherham United	1-1	5,129
20	Stockport County (MC1 1L)	4-1	3,311
24	Doncaster Rovers	1-1	3,414
26	Bury (7.30pm)	1-4	8,772
31	Gillingham	1-2	2,773
Sept. 2	Stockport County (MC1 2L)	1-1	2,573
7	Wolverhampton W.	4-1	4,986
14	Walsall	0-2	4,532
17	Lincoln City	1-1	3,928
21	Newport County	1-0	2,212
25	Nottingham Forest (MC2 1L)	0-4	10,530
28	Plymouth Argyle	3-1	4,270
Oct. 1	York City	0-3	4,680
5	Reading	0-1	8,000
8	Nottingham Forest (MC2 2L)	0-3	4,010
12	Brentford	1-2	4,106
19	Swansea City	1-1	3,558
22	Bristol Rovers	1-2	4,308
26	Cardiff City	1-0	2,502
Nov. 2	A.F.C. Bournemouth	1-0	3,800
5	Darlington	0-3	2,902
9	Notts County	0-1	4,497
16	Wrexham (FAC 1)	1-3	2,738
23	Derby County	0-1	5,887
30	Bristol City	0-2	6,253
Dec 14	Chesterfield	2-1	3,621
21	Doncaster Rovers	2-0	4,546
Jan. 1	Blackpool	1-1	9,473
11	Wigan Athletic	1-2	9,252
18	Gillingham	0-1	5,232
20	Rotherham United	0-4	3,821
25	Stockport County (FRT)	2-2	1,874
28	Walsall	3-1	4,088
Feb. 1	Crewe Alexandra (FRT)	1-0	2,428
4	Bristol Rovers	2-0	3,110
8	Wolverhampton W.	0-2	3,672
22	Swansea City	1-3	4,242
25	Newport County	4-0	4,063
Mar. 4	Bury	1-2	6,006
8	York City	1-1	3,589
11	Reading	2-0	4,903
14	Tranmere Rovers (FRT)	2-1	3,865
18	Brentford	1-1	3,284
22	A.F.C. Bournemouth	1-2	2,063
25	Cardiff City		
29	Lincoln City		
31	Wigan Athletic		
Apr. 6	Blackpool (11.00 a.m.)		
12	Darlington (SF)		
19	Notts County		
20	Derby County		
22	Milk Cup Final		
26	Plymouth Argyle		
30	Bristol City		
May 10	Chesterfield		
	F.A. Cup Final		

NEXT HOME MATCHES

Central League
COVENTRY CITY
Wednesday 26th March
Kick-off 7.00 p.m.

Canon League Division Three
BLACKPOOL
Monday 31st March
Kick-off 11.00 a.m.

Home matches and goalscorers in bold type. † Player substituted. ● Substitute used. ★ Own goal.

FACTS

CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

(Up to and including Wednesday 19th March 1986)

	HOME			AWAY			GOALS			GOALS			Pts		
	P	W	D	L	F	A	L	F	A	L	F	A	Pts		
Reading	34	12	2	3	30	19	3	25	20	3	19	23	76		
Wigan Athletic	35	14	4	0	44	10	5	19	23	7	27	12	66		
Derby County	31	10	4	2	35	12	6	27	12	2	25	26	60		
Gillingham	36	10	3	3	38	16	7	25	26	5	24	32	59		
Walsall	35	13	4	1	48	16	1	24	27	11	24	27	59		
Plymouth Argyle	35	11	3	3	34	17	6	17	32	7	17	32	53		
Bristol City	36	12	4	3	37	17	2	20	27	8	20	27	53		
Brentford	35	7	6	4	21	19	8	23	33	11	23	33	52		
York City	36	11	3	3	35	12	4	23	29	7	23	29	52		
Notts County	34	8	5	3	29	18	5	20	26	7	20	26	51		
Doncaster Rovers	36	6	8	4	15	15	7	22	23	7	22	23	49		
Blackpool	35	8	5	5	32	16	5	12	25	8	12	25	46		
Rotherham United	34	11	4	4	35	14	1	19	43	10	19	43	42		
Bristol Rovers	33	8	4	5	20	14	4	14	29	11	14	29	41		
AFC Bournemouth	36	8	5	6	35	26	3	12	27	11	12	27	40		
Bolton Wanderers	36	8	4	7	28	23	3	14	24	11	14	24	39		
Chesterfield	35	6	6	5	26	23	6	17	32	9	17	32	38		
Darlington	31	6	4	4	30	25	4	14	31	12	14	31	36		
Bury	34	8	4	4	33	20	5	12	27	12	14	31	35		
Newport County	36	5	6	7	24	25	1	18	37	8	18	37	35		
Lincoln City	33	6	5	4	25	23	2	28	41	10	28	41	35		
Cardiff City	36	5	4	9	14	22	4	11	47	14	11	47	33		
Swansea City	36	8	3	7	21	20	1	19	36	3	19	36			
Wolverhampton W.	34	4	5	9	20	37	3	19	36	10	19	36			

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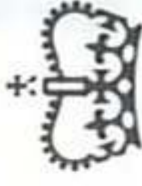
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CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	Goals
1985		F A
Aug.	21 Wolverhampton Wanderers	6-4
	28 Rotherham United	3-1
Sept.	3 Grimsby Town	1-2
	11 Middlesbrough	0-3
	18 Port Vale	3-1
	24 Blackpool	1-5
Oct.	2 Stoke City	4-0
	16 York City	2-1
	23 Preston North End	1-1
	30 Coventry City	1-2
Nov.	6 Scunthorpe United	1-1
	12 Burnley	3-0
	20 Sunderland	2-0
	26 Notts County	2-4
Dec	4 Doncaster Rovers	0-1
	10 Bradford City	1-1
	18 Grimsby Town	2-0
Jan	13 Wolverhampton Wanderers	0-2
	21 Middlesbrough	0-6
	29 Rotherham United	3-2
Feb.	3 Oldham Athletic	2-1
	5 York City	0-1
	19 Port Vale	1-0
Mar.	5 Stoke City	3-1
	12 Oldham Athletic	0-0
	19 Scunthorpe United	7-1
	26 Coventry City	
Apr.	2 Burnley	
	8 Sunderland	
	16 Notts County	
	23 Doncaster Rovers	
	28 Preston North End	
	30 Bradford City	
	<i>To be arranged</i>	
	Blackpool	

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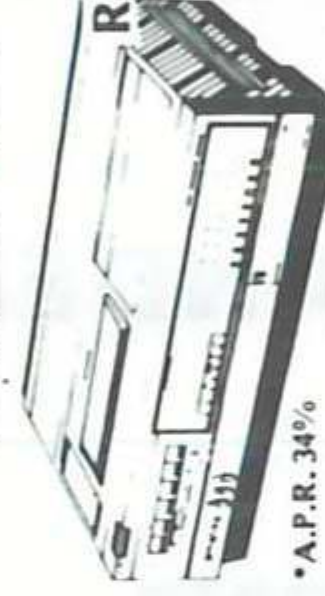
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6. Wayne Entwistle
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8. George Oghani
9. Tony Caldwell
10. Asa Hartford
11. Graham Bell
- 12.

CARDIFF CITY

Blue and White

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2. Wayne Curtis
3. David Giles
4. Chris Marustik
5. Phil Brignull
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8. Nigel Vaughan
9. Mike Ford
10. Jason Gummer
11. Paul Wheeler
- 12.

Today's Referee

COLIN SEEL (Carlisle, Cumbria)

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E	PLYMOUTH ARGYLE
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F	READING
	BURY
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	YORK CITY
H	SWANSEA CITY
	GILLINGHAM
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	DARLINGTON
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K	ARSENAL
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P	MANCHESTER UNITED
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Q	NEWCASTLE UNITED
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R	NOTTINGHAM FOREST
	LEICESTER CITY
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